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Westminster, April 24.

HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes seated on the Throne, with the usual Solemnity, Sir William Sanderson, Gentleman-Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from His Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to

An Act for repealing certain Duties therein mentioned payable upon Coffee, Tea, Cocoa-Nuts, Chocolate and Cocoa-Paste imported, and for granting certain Inland Duties in lieu thereof; and for prohibiting the Importation of Chocolate ready made and Cocoa Paste, and for better ascertaining the Duties payable upon Coffee, Tea, and Cocoa-Nuts imported, and for granting Relief to Robert Dalziell late Earl of Carnwath.

An Act to prevent Multiplicity of Prosecutions upon an Act made in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Third, Intituled, An Act for the more effectual employing the Poor, by encouraging the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

An Act for continuing the Acts for preventing Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of England; and for better regulating of Pilots; and for regulating the Price and Assize of Bread; and for better Encouragement of the making of Sail-Cloth in Great Britain.

An Act for explaining the Law concerning the Tryal and Admission of the Ordinary Lords of Session.

An Act for the better viewing, searching, and examining all Drugs, Medicines, Waters, Oils, Compositions used, or to be used for Medicines, in all Places where the same shall be exposed to Sale, or kept for that purpose, within the City of London or Suburbs thereof or within seven Miles Circuit of the said City.

An Act for enlarging the Times for hearing and determining Claims by the Trustees for raising Money upon the Estates of the late Directors of the South-Sea Company and others; and for reviving and continuing the Provision formerly made against requiring special Bail in Actions or Suits upon Contracts for Stock or Subscriptions between the first Day of December 1719, and the first Day of December 1720, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.

An Act for encouraging the Greenland Fishery.

An Act to explain and amend an Act passed in the sixth Year of His Majesty's Reign, Intituled, An Act for ascertaining the Breadths, and preventing Frauds and Abuses in manufacturing Serges, Pladings, and Fingrums; and for regulating the Manufactures of Stockings in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, so far as the same relates to Serges.

An Act for repairing the Road leading from Dunchurch, in the County of Warwick, to the Bottom of Meriden Hill in the same County.

An Act for repairing the Roads leading from Stump-Cross in the Parish of Chesterford in the County of Essex, to Newmarket-Heath, and the Town of Cambridge in the County of Cambridge.

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An Act for amending the Roads from the Stones End in Southwark to Highgate at the Entrance of Ashdown Forest in the Parish of East-Grinsted, in the County of Sussex, and from Kingston to Burton Common; and also the Lane leading from Woodhatch to Stalow Mill, and the Lanes called Horsehills, Bonehurst alias Boners and Peteridge Lanes in the County of Surrey, by enlarging the Terms granted by two former Acts, one of the 4th and the other of the 6th Year of His Majesty's Reign.

And to 14 private Bills.

After which His Majesty was pleased to make the following most gracious Speech.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

THE Unanimity, Chearfulness and Dispatch with which you have now finished every thing I recommended to you at the Opening this Session are fresh Instances of your Affection to my Person and Government, and cannot fail of contributing, with the Blessing of God on our Endeavours, towards the Establishment of that happy Tranquility we now enjoy both at Home and Abroad.

Your continuing the like National Force by Sea and Land this Year, as was judged necessary by Parliament for the Service of the last, gives me great Satisfaction. You have thereby wisely provided against the Mischiefs from any sudden Shocks to Publick Credit; you have provided for the Safety of the Kingdom, and have enabled this Nation to hold among the Powers of Europe, the Rank and Figure due to her Honour and Dignity. Nothing could have been more acceptable to me, than your having been able to make that Provision without laying any New or Additional Burthens on my People.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I return you my Thanks for the Care and Pains you have taken towards augmenting the Sinking Fund, and improving the Publick Revenues by putting them under a stricter Management. I make no doubt but that the happy Beginning you have made will be attended with such immediate good Consequences, as will encourage you to pursue the Way you have now opened for a gradual Reduction of the Debt, and for putting the Trade and Navigation of Great Britain on such a foot, as may not only in some measure discourage the unjustifiable Encroachments they labour under from some of our Neighbours, but at the same time extend her Exportations beyond what has been known in former Ages.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

As the early Recess, which your Diligence and Unanimity has procured you, affords you the Opportunity of a longer Retirement into the Country, than the Business of former Sessions has usually allowed of; I assure myself, that you will carry with you thither the same Zeal for the Publick Good, with which you have been animated in Parliament; and that you will make it your Business to discountenance any Remains there may be yet left of Sedition or Disaffection, and to promote that perfect Harmony and Confidence between me and my People, which I most earnestly desire, and on which our mutual Happiness entirely depends.

And then the Lord Chancellour by His Majesty's Command, said,

My Lords and Gentlemen,

IT is His Majesty's Royal Will and Pleasure, That this present Parliament be prorogued to Thursday the 4th Day of June next, to be then here held; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the 4th Day of June next.

Lisbon April 29, *N. S.* By an Express from the Portuguese Envoy at London, this Court received the 14th Instant Advice (which was brought to England by a Ship from Malabar) of the Death of Sig. Francisco Sampayo de Mello, Viceroy at Goa. But as the two Ships designed for those Parts this Year, one of 60 the other of 30 Guns, can be no longer detained for fear of losing their Monsoon, his Portuguese Majesty has deferred appointing any new Viceroy till the next Year, when it is said that Employment will be conferred on the Viscounde de Ponte Lima. In the mean time Directions are sent to the Bishop at Goa, to take that Government on him till further Orders. The two India Ships above mentioned, as also the Fleet intended for the Rio de Janeiro, under the Convoy of the Madre de Deos a Man of War of 70 Guns, are fallen down into the Bay of Wares, and wait only for a favourable Wind in order to proceed on their Voyage. The Rosario, another Portuguese Man of War of 40 Guns, which was designed to serve as a second Convoy to the Rio Fleet, is detained here till his Majesty shall have named the Governours for the Rio de Janeiro and the Mines, which it is believed will not be done till the Return of an Advice-Boat lately dispatched to those Parts.

Madrid April 17, *N. S.* Yesterday being Easter-Sunday, there were Fireworks and Illuminations at the Buen Retiro, by Way of Rejoycing

Rejoycing for King Lewis's Acceſſion to the Throne: The Fireworks were let off in one of the largeſt Squares of the Retiro, which was handſomely painted in Marble Colours and finely illuminated with Flambeaux, the whole at the Expence of the Town of Madrid: There are others to be let off this and To morrow Evening; and To-morrow, before the Fireworks begin, a Spaniſh Opera is to be performed on this Occaſion. Their Majeſties, with the Infantes, go to Aranjuez on the 19th Inſtant, where they will ſtay about two Months, but the Cabinet Council is to remain here for the Diſpatch of Buſineſs, and every Evening they are to ſend an Account of their Proceedings with the neceſſary Papers for his Majeſty to ſign to Sig. Orendayn, Secretary of State, who is to attend his Majeſty at Aranjuez for that purpoſe.

Copenhagen, April 22, *N. S.* On the 19th Inſtant the King of Denmark reviewed a part of the Garriſon of this Place, and Yeſterday his Majeſty with the Queen and the Princeſs Charlotte ſet out for Jutland and Holſtein, where he will review the Troops, and deſigns to be back here the 20th of next Month, about which Time the Princeſs Royal expects to be brought to bed: The great Chancellour is gone with the King.

Hambourg, April 25, *N. S* To-Day came Advice of the King of Denmark's Arrival at Coldingen, where ſome Regiments are to paſs in Review before him. His Majeſty will proceed from thence on the 4th of May to Gottorp, and propoſes to be at Gluckſtadt the 7th.

Whitehall, 24 *April* 1724.

His Majeſty having lately receiv'd Information of divers Complaints in relation to the Printing of Bibles and Common-Prayer-Books, upon bad Paper and with bad Letter, and alſo that due Care hath not been us'd in correcting the Preſs, and that the Books, when printed, have been ſold at unreaſonable Prices; And having caus'd the ſaid Complaint to be enquir'd into, and alſo obliged the Proprietors of the Patent for printing the ſaid Books to bring in Specimens of the ſeveral Sorts and Sizes thereof, printed upon good Paper and with good Letter; which Specimens have been duly conſider'd and approv'd: His Majeſty hath been graciouſly pleas'd, in order to do what in Him lies towards the remedying this great Evil, to give ſpecial Directions to the ſaid Patentees, as follows:

1. That all Bibles and Common-Prayer-Books, which ſhall hereafter be printed by them, be printed at leaſt upon as good Paper, and with as good Letter, as the ſaid Specimens.

2. That they forthwith deliver four Copies of the ſaid Specimens, to be depoſited and kept in four ſeveral Offices, that is to ſay, in the two Offices of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State for South Britain, and in the publick Regiſtries of the Archbiſhop of Canterbury, and the Biſhop of London; to the end that ready Recourſe may be had to ſuch Specimens, upon any Complaint that ſhall be made in relation to the Paper or Letter, which ſhall hereafter be us'd by them in printing Bibles or Common-Prayer-Books.

3. That they ſhall employ ſuch Correctors of the Preſs, and allow them ſuch Salaries, as ſhall be approv'd from Time to Time, by the Archbiſhop of Canterbury, and the Biſhop of London, for the time being.

And that it may clearly appear where the Fault lies, (whether upon His Majeſty's Patentees, who print the ſaid Bibles and Common-Prayer-Books, or upon the Bookſellers who ſell them,) in caſe the ſaid Bibles and Books of Common-Prayer ſhall at any time hereafter be ſold at unreaſonable Rates, His Majeſty hath been pleas'd to give further Direction,

4. That the ſaid Patentees for printing Bibles and Common-Prayer-Books, do print in the Title Page of each Book, the exact Price at which ſuch Book is by them to be ſold to the Bookſellers.

Wine-Licence Office, April 18, 1724.

All Perſons owing or engaged for Arrears of Rent for Wine Licences, or whoſe Licences are expired, are hereby required to take Notice, That if they do not pay their ſaid Arrears and renew their ſaid Licences with all Speed, they will be forthwith proſecuted for the ſame: And whereas His Majeſty's ſaid Commiſſioners for Managing the ſaid Revenue have received certain Information of divers Perſons preſuming to retail Wine without Licence, and to whom Letters have been ſent, adviſing them of the Penalties incurred thereby: Theſe are alſo to give Notice, that unleſs ſuch Perſons do ſpeedily apply themſelves to the ſaid Commiſſioners, the Laws in ſuch Caſes made and provided will be forthwith put in Execution.

York-Buildings-Houſe, April 22, 1724.

The Governour and Company of Undertakers for Raiſing the Thames Water in York-Buildings give Notice, That they will begin to pay the Annuities ariſing from Prizes in the 1ſt Part of their 3d Lottery, to the 25th of March laſt, on Tueſday the 28th of this Inſtant April, and will continue to pay the ſame every Thurſday and Tueſday. The ſaid Governour and Company alſo give Notice, That their Managers will begin the Work of Cutting out the Tickets for their preſent Lottery into their reſpective Boxes A *and* B, *on Saturday the* 2*d of May next, in their publick Hall in Wincheſter-Street, by Two of the Clock in the Afternoon, proceeding in the firſt Place with the Benefit Tickets which are to be Cut into Box* B, *and ſo continue the Work of Cutting till all the Tickets for each of the Boxes* A *and* B *ſhall be compleatly Cut thereinto. And the ſaid Governour and Company further give Notice, That the ſaid Lottery will begin Drawing in their ſaid Hall on Monday the* 4*th of May next, at Nine in the Forenoon.*

Truſtees-Office South-Sea-Houſe, April 15, 1724.

The Truſtees appointed by Act of Parliament for Raiſing Money out of the Eſtates of the late Directors of the South-Sea Company and others give Notice, that they intend to expoſe to Sale by Cant or Auction, to the beſt Bidder, in the Hall of the South-Sea-Houſe, on Wedneſday the 20*th Day of May next, at Ten of the Clock*

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in the Forenoon, the ſeveral Eſtates following, viz. A Farm and Lands at Oſmington in the County of Dorſet, and three Houſes in Dorcheſter in the ſame County, late the Eſtates of Sir Theodore Janſſen, Kt. and Bart. (one of the ſaid late Directors.) A Farm at Iſham in the County of Northampton, late the Eſtate of Francis Hawes, Eſq; (one of the ſaid late Directors.) Two Freehold Houſes in Swithin's-Lane Lombard-Street, London, the Eſtate of Richard Hulditch, Eſq; (one of the ſaid late Directors.) A Parcel of Land at Stevenage, in the County of Hertford, late the Eſtate of Robert Cheſter, Eſq; (one of the ſaid late Directors.) A Copyhold Farm in Mayland and Sadminſter, in the County of Eſſex; ſeveral Freehold, Copyhold, and Leaſehold Lands and Tenements in Bow, Bromley, Stratford, and Poplar, in the Counties of Middleſex and Eſſex, late the Eſtates of Ambroſe Page, Eſq; (one of the ſaid late Directors.) The Fountain Tavern in Stock's-Market, London; the Manner of Stoke in the County of Kent; a Houſe in Gravſend in the ſame County, late the Eſtates of Jacob Sawbridge, Eſq; (one of the ſaid late Directors) Two Copyhold Farms at Eaſt Meon, in the County of Southampton, late the Eſtates of Edward Gibbon, Eſq; (one of the ſaid late Directors.) A Dwelling, Sugar-houſe, and Warehouſes on College-Hill in the City of London, late the Eſtate of Mr. Robert Knight, (late Caſhire of the South-Sea Company.) The Manner of Gibthorpe, in the County of Lincoln, with the Lands and Tenements thereto belonging; and a Farm at Reepham, in the ſaid County, late the Eſtates of Mr. Robert Surman, (late Deputy-Caſhire of the South-Sea Company) Particulars of the ſaid Eſtates may be had at the Truſtees ſaid Office.

Hand-in-Hand Fire-Office.

The Directors give Notice, That a General Meeting of the Contributors of the ſaid Society will be held at their Office in Angel-Court on Snow-Hill, on Tueſday the 12th of May next, by Three in the Afternoon: Where all who have Inſured are deſired to be preſent.

The Committee for Letting the Cities Lands in the Account of the Chamberlain of the City of London give Notice, That they intend to Lett by Leaſe ſix Meſſuages or Tenements the Corner of Dolphin-Court in Butcher-Row, Ratcliffe, in the ſeveral Poſſeſſions of Edward Berry, Elizabeth Wright, Martha Forreſt, Nathaniel Baxter, Hannah Holbrooke, and Valentine Smith, one other Meſſuage or Tenement the Corner of the ſaid Dolphin Court, known by the Sign of the Dolphin Ale-houſe, in the Poſſeſſion of Henry Blythman, and eight Meſſuages or Tenements in the ſaid Court, in the ſeveral Poſſeſſions of Henry Blythman, Mary Collins, Willoughby Vauſe, Thomas Hammond, John Avery, Michael Hilliard, Thomas Raſdall, and Edward Pugh; And that the ſaid Committee will ſit in the Council Chamber of the Guild-hall, London, on Wedneſday the 29th of April Inſtant, at Four of the Clock in the Afternoon, to receive Propoſals for the ſaid Premiſſes ſeverally; of which more particular Information may be had at the Comptroller's Office in the Guildhall aforeſaid.

Advertiſements.

HIS Majeſty's Plate of 100 Guineas will be run for on Merrow Downs, near Guilford, on Monday the 25th Day of May next, by any Horſe, Mare or Gelding not exceeding ſix Years old, as muſt be certified under the Hand of the Breeder, carrying 12 Stone three Heats round the Heats Courſe; To be ſhewn and enter'd at Searle's Coffee-Houſe in Guildford, on Saturday the 23d of May; and if any Difference ariſe in their Entring or Running, the ſame to be determined by the Right Honourable the Lord Onſlow, or whom he ſhall appoint, according to ſuch His Majeſty's Orders as will be there produced. And on Tueſday the 26th of May, a Galloway Plate of 20 Guineas will be run for, give and take, nine Stone the higheſt. And on Wedneſday the 27th of May, the Contribution Plate of 50 l. will be run for by any Horſe, Mare, or Gelding, that never won the like Value in Plate or Money at one Time before; to be ſhewn and enter'd as aforeſaid; the Galloways paying one Guinea, and the Horſes for the Contribution Plate two Guineas at Entrance. N. B. There will be a Cock-Match as uſual.

TO be ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before Thomas Bennett, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, a Freehold Eſtate, conſiſting of ſeveral Fields of Arable and Meadow Land, lying in Botesdale, in the County of Suffolk, late the Eſtate of Edward Goate, Gent. deceaſed. Particulars may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers in Symond's Inn in Chancery-Lane.

TO be ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before Robert Holford, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, the Eſtate of Lawrence Ledger, late of Guildford, in the County of Surrey, deceaſed, lying in the Pariſh of Long Ditton, in the ſaid County of Surrey: Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers in Symond's Inn, Chancery-Lane.

THE Manner or Lordſhip of Hallowes, in the Pariſh of Dronfield, in the County of Derby; and alſo the Capital Meſſuage, Out-houſes, and Gardens, convenient for a Gentleman's Seat; and divers Lands, Woods, and Wood-Grounds in the ſaid Pariſh, late the Eſtate of Andrew Morewood, Gent. deceaſed, the whole being of the yearly Value of 120 l. and upwards, and very improveable; are to be ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before Henry Lovibond, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Houſe in Little Lincoln's Inn-Fields; where Particulars may be had.

TO be ſold at Derby, a large Brick Houſe, five Rooms on on a Floor, with a good Brewhouſe and Cellars, a Yard and good Stables, Barns, Outhouſes, and large handſome Gardens upwards of two Acres, well walled in and planted with the beſt Fruit; a Cloſe of Paſture adjoining, containing about 12 Acres, wherein is a ſhady regular Walk planted with Aſhes full grown; the ſame being very pleaſantly ſituate, lately in the Poſſeſſion of Francis Gregg, Eſq; deceaſed; and alſo three Tenements near the ſaid Houſe, now Lett at 6 l. per Annum, with or without ſeven Acres of Land in Windmill Pitfield, the whole being Freehold, and proper to be bought together for the Accommodation of a Gentleman's Family. Enquire at the ſaid Houſe, or at Symond's-Inn Coffee-Houſe in Chancery-Lane, London.

WHereas the Ship Mary, Frederick Haſenkampff Maſter, bound from Hamburgh to Oporto, was on the 24th of February laſt brought into Dartmouth in a very diſabled Condition, the Men having quitted her ſome Days before, and one Bale Black Cloth H K, N° 25, four Cheſts dyed Linnen, N° 26, 27, 28, 29, two Boxes with Lace, beſides Anchors, Cables, and other Ship's Tackle, are ſtill miſſing: Any Perſon that can make a Diſcovery of any Part of the ſaid Goods, ſo as they may be recovered again by the Owners, ſhall receive One Fifth Part of the Value of what ſhall be ſo recovered, to be paid by Mr. Abraham Henckell, Merchant, in Lawrence-Poultney-Lane, London.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt Thomas Moxes, of the Town and Port of Hyth, in the County of Kent, Shopkeeper, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 4th, 11th, and 25th of May next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the ſecond of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution Money, and chuſe Aſſignees. And all Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any

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Effects of his in their Hands, are not to pay or deliver the ſame but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint, but are deſired to give Notice thereof to Mr. Edward Northey, Attorney, at Painter-Stainers-Hall, London.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt Richard Harriſon, of Cateaton-ſtreet, London, Mercer, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 29th Inſtant, and on the 6th and 25th of May next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the ſecond of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuſe Aſſignees. And all Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or Effects of his in their Hands, are deſired to give Notice thereof to Meſſieurs Dandy and Dyer, Attornies, the Corner of Aldermanbury, London.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt John Nicks, of St. Paul's Church-Yard, London, Bookſeller, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on 1ſt, 8th, and 25th of May next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the ſecond of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuſe Aſſignees. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any Effects of his in their Hands, are not to pay or deliver the ſame but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint, but are deſired to give Notice thereof to Mr. Henry Mathews, Attorney, in Gutter-Lane, Cheapſide, London.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt Daniel King, late of Fenchurch-ſtreet, London, China-man, intend to meet on the 19th of May next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, and paid their Contribution Money, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

WHereas John Wells, Jun. of Grace-Church-ſtreet, London, Warehouſeman, hath ſurrendred himſelf (purſuant to Notice) and been twice examined; This is to give Notice, that he will attend the Commiſſioners on the 4th of May next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to finiſh his Examination; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and object, if they think fit, againſt the Commiſſioners ſigning his Certificate in order for his Diſcharge.

WHereas Richard King, of Ormskirk, in the County of Lancaſter, Draper, hath ſurrendred himſelf (purſuant to Notice) and been examined; This is to give Notice, that he will attend the Commiſſioners on the 28th of April Inſtant, at the Sign of the Wheatſheaf in Ormskirk aforeſaid, to finiſh his Examination; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and to object, if they think fit, againſt the Commiſſioners ſigning his Certificate, in order for his Diſcharge.

WHereas the acting Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt John Goodwin, of Bawtry, in the County of York, Maltſter, have certified to the Right Honourable Thomas Earl of Macclesfield, Lord High Chancellour of Great Britain, that the ſaid John Goodwin hath in all Things conformed himſelf according to the Directions of the ſeveral Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice, that his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the ſaid Acts direct, unleſs Cauſe be ſhewn to the contrary on or before the 13th of May next.

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